Subject: Re: filesearch doesn't find the same files as findfile on a networked drive (unencrypted)

Posted by Dick Jackson on Thu, 09 Oct 2003 19:43:56 GMT

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Hi William,

I'm guessing that you're using a version of IDL before 6.0. In my tests, it fails as you show in 5.6, but is just fine in 6.0, as reported in IDL60/help/relnotes.txt:

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27956 - FILE SEARCH Function Now Works for UNC Conventions
UNC conventions can now be used with the FILE SEARCH function.
Hope this helps!
Cheers,
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"William Gallery" <wgallery@bos.fti-net.com> wrote in message
news:cDdhb.21961$B51.20874@nntp-post.primus.ca...
> (The original post was encrypted--sorry about that)
> I am trying to access files on a networked drive in Windows NT. The
> networked drive is:
> \\Cygnus\Raytheon shared
>
> Find file and file_search give different results:
> IDL> print, findfile('\Cygnus\Raytheon_shared\Updated Test Files\*'),
> format='(a)'
> \\Cvgnus\\Raytheon shared\\Updated Test Files\.\
> \\Cygnus\\Raytheon shared\\Updated Test Files\..\
> \Cygnus\Raytheon shared\Updated Test Files\Test Data\
> \\Cygnus\\Raytheon shared\\Updated Test Files\\Test Data Migration Tool\
> \\Cygnus\\Raytheon shared\\Updated Test Files\\Test FITS\\
> \\Cygnus\Raytheon_shared\Updated Test Files\Test_results\
>
> IDL>
> IDL> print, file_search('\\Cygnus\Raytheon_shared\Updated Test
Files\*'),
> format='(a)'
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> IDL>
> I.e, file_search finds no files at all. If I map the networked drive
> to a drive letter, e.g. G:, both routines give the same result.
  What am I missing about file_search?
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